SATAN LURES US TO DISCONTENTMENT BY GETTING US TO QUESTION THE GOODNESS OF GOD.

¹⁰I REJOICED GREATLY IN THE LORD THAT AT LAST YOU RENEWED YOUR CONCERN FOR ME. INDEED, YOU WERE CONCERNED, BUT YOU HAD NO OPPORTUNITY TO SHOW IT.

PHILIPPIANS 4:10

¹¹I AM NOT SAYING THIS BECAUSE I AM IN NEED, FOR I HAVE LEARNED TO BE CONTENT WHATEVER THE CIRCUMSTANCES.

PHILIPPIANS 4:11

¹²I KNOW WHAT IT IS TO BE IN NEED, AND I KNOW WHAT IT IS TO HAVE PLENTY. I HAVE LEARNED THE SECRET OF BEING CONTENT IN ANY AND EVERY SITUATION, WHETHER WELL FED OR HUNGRY, WHETHER LIVING IN PLENTY OR IN WANT. PHILIPPIANS 4:12

¹³I CAN DO ALL THIS THROUGH HIM WHO GIVES ME STRENGTH.

OF CONTENTMEN PHILIPPIANS 4:13

¹⁴YET IT WAS GOOD OF YOU TO SHARE IN MY TROUBLES.

OF CONTENTMEN PHILIPPIANS 4:14

¹⁷NOT THAT I DESIRE YOUR GIFTS; WHAT I DESIRE IS THAT MORE BE CREDITED TO YOUR ACCOUNT. PHILIPPIANS 4:17

CONTENTMENT (AUTARKIES) LITERALLY MEANS SUFFICIENCY: LIVING IN A STATE OF TRUST THAT YIELDS TO THE GOODNESS OF GOD AND OVERRIDES THE NATURE OF CIRCUMSTANCES.

#1 YOUR HAPPINESS IS NOT CONTINGENT UPON WHAT HAPPENS TO YOU

THE QUICK PATH TO DISCONTENTMENT IS TO COMPARE YOURSELF TO OTHERS

THE GRASS LOOKS GREENER ON THE OTHER SIDE OF THE FENCE BECAUSE YOU'RE NOT CLOSE ENOUGH TO SEE THE DIRT.

#2 EVERYTHING YOU RECEIVE IN LIFE IS A GIFT FROM GOD.

#3 FOCUS ON WHAT YOU HAVE, NOT ON WHAT YOU DON'T HAVE.

IF YOU'RE NOT CONTENT WITH WHAT YOU HAVE TODAY, YOU WON'T BE CONTENT WITH WHAT YOU GAIN TOMORROW; FOR EVEN TODAY YOU ARE NOT CONTENT WITH WHAT YOU GAINED SINCE YESTERDAY.

#4 DISCERN THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN YOUR WANTS AND NEEDS.

BUT GODLINESS WITH CONTENTMENT IS GREAT GAIN. FOR WE BROUGHT NOTHING INTO THE WORLD, AND WE CAN TAKE NOTHING OUT OF IT. BUT IF WE HAVE FOOD AND CLOTHING, WE WILL BE CONTENT WITH THAT. - 1 TIMOTHY 6:6-8

I CAN DO EVERYTHING THROUGH HIM [CHRIST] WHO GIVES ME STRENGTH.- PHILIPPIANS 4:13